

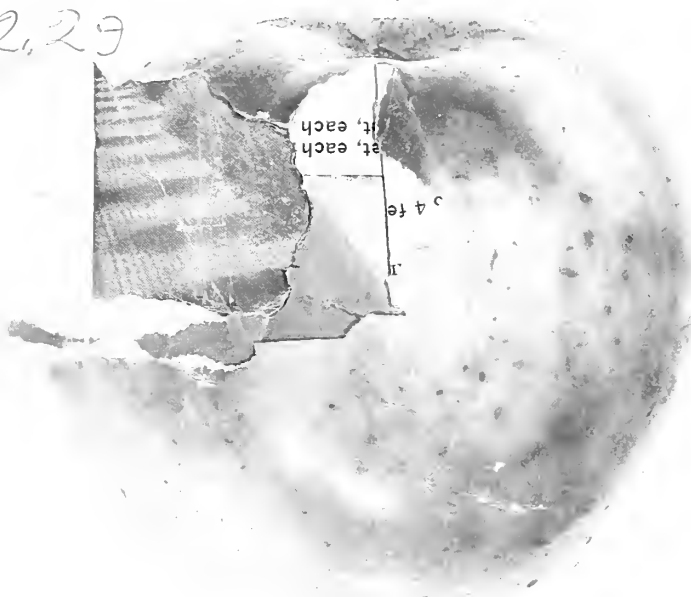
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# Nevins' Superior Nursery Products

SPRING, 1922



## Blue Valley Nurseries

Established 1889 E. F. Nevins & Son  
Blue Rapids, Kansas

POSTMASTER—If unable to deliver to this address, advise us,  
as the law requires. State if the addressee is dead or removed.  
Stamps will be sent to you to forward or return.

1c Paid  
Permit No. 1.  
Blue Rapids,  
Kansas



From

Address

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE,

WASHINGTON, D. C.

BUREAU OF PLANT INDUSTRY,  
Horticultural and Pomological Investigations.

5-3591



**If You Would  
Reap, You  
Must Plant.  
Get the Habit.**



**Delays Pay No  
Dividends. Plant  
that Orchard  
This Year.**

THE BLUE VALLEY NURSERIES have had more than thirty years' experience in the growing of Nursery Stock and have fruited and discarded many varieties of both fruits and flowers which we have found to be of little

The varieties we offer to our trade are adapted to this section and we offer of unknown value.

Prices are for sound, thrifty, well-rooted stock and delivery to station.

Such as small fruit plants, etc., are sent prepaid. All fruit trees and other heavy stock travel via freight or express at purchaser's expense.

Our shipping season commences about March 25th to April 1st and lasts for about 30 days.

We cordially invite you to visit our nursery and make your selection of stock. Office and Packing House one block east of new high school building.

Our Guarantee. We guarantee all stock sent out by us to be true to name, thrifty and well grown and to reach you in good condition. Mistakes if made will be promptly rectified, but in no case shall our liability exceed the pur-

chase price of the stock and we assume no responsibility after acceptance by purchaser as to their growth or fruitfulness. Remember, a tree or plant is a living organism and must breathe, drink and feed as much so as a cow, horse or man; and is subject to many conditions over which we have no control. At the moderate prices at which we sell our goods it is impossible for us to be responsible for stock after delivery to our customers in good condition.

E. F. NEVINS & SON.

**CERTIFICATE OF NURSERY INSPECTION**  
ENTOMOLOGIST COMMISSION OF KANSAS  
Office of State Entomologist, Agricultural College  
No. B450

Manhattan, Kan., August 30, 1921.

This is to certify that in accordance with Chapter 386, Section 7, of the session of laws of 1907, the nursery stock now growing for sale by E. F. Nevins & Son, proprietors of the Blue Valley Nurseries, of Blue Rapids, Kansas, has been inspected by a duly authorized inspector and found apparently free from dangerously injurious insect or plant diseases. Invalid after June 1, 1922.

GEO. A. DEAN, State Entomologist.



## Planting Instructions

When trees are received from us, if not planted at once, remove all packing material; open the bunches and heal in the ground, covering the roots and part of the bodies with damp earth. The land for planting an orchard should be in a good state of cultivation. The holes should be dug large enough to permit the roots to be straightened out in natural position, and tree planted one or two inches deeper than it stood in the nursery. The soil should be worked in around the roots and tramped firm, all except the last two inches on top. Many trees are lost by not having dirt well packed around roots at planting time. Protect

the body of tree from sun scald by using tree protectors. Cultivate often, every ten days until the middle of August; this conserves soil moisture and promotes a healthy growth.

Watch your apple trees closely during dry weather for signs of borers and if found, cut them out before serious damage is done, remember that damage from apple borers is usually caused when the tree is suffering from lack of moisture.

You may plant cultivated crops between the rows, such as strawberries, tomatoes, potatoes, etc., but in no case seed your orchard to blue grass, alfalfa or other sod.

## Distances for Planting

Apple trees .....	30 to 34 feet
Pear trees .....	20 to 24 feet
Cherry trees .....	19 to 20 feet
Plum trees .....	12 to 18 feet
Peach trees .....	16 to 18 feet
Grapes .....	8 by 8 feet
Blackberries .....	4 by 8 feet
Raspberries .....	3 by 7 feet
Strawberries .....	1½ by 3½ feet

## This Folder

Like ourselves, is here to serve you. Your success with our trees and plants means our success in the continuation of your valued orders. We believe in the business we are in, and in the fruit growing industry, there is no enterprise at this time with a brighter outlook than fruit growing.

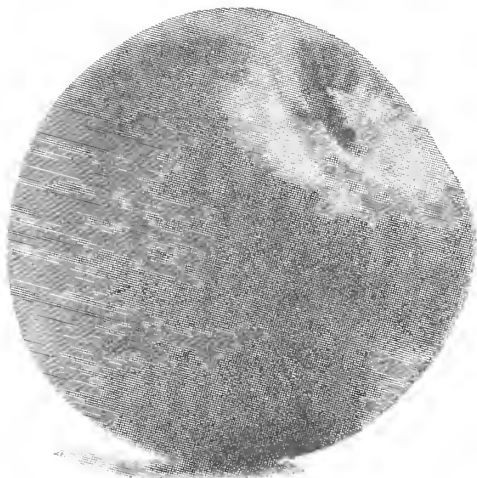
The people who plant and care for their orchards are bound to reap rich profits, the demand for fruit far exceeds the supply, and will for years to come. Why buy what you should grow yourselves. An orchard planted of our trees means Fruit Independence for you, for many years; besides think of the comfort and convenience of having it fresh from your own trees. We grow and dig our trees with the utmost care; we grade and pack them for you in the same manner. We guarantee each and every tree to be true to name and of the age and grade specified. Our experience of more than 30 years is at your service. Taking everything into consideration, can you do better than send your order to the Blue Valley Nurseries? (Since 1889.)

## Apples

2 years, 5 to 7 feet, each.....60c  
2 years, 4 to 5 feet, each.....50c

### Summer Varieties

**YELLOW TRANSPARENT**—The best early apple; bears young.  
**EARLY HARVEST**—Yellow, productive, good.  
**RED JUNE**—Dark red, tender flesh, productive.



### Fall Varieties

**WHITNEY CRAB**—Large. Yellow streaked with red; good quality.  
**MAIDEN BLUSH**—Large, yellow with red blush; fine for jell.  
**GRIMES GOLDEN**—Fruit golden yellow, fine flavor; one of the best.  
**RAMSDELL SWEET**—A large productive, dark red, good quality; one of the best sweet apples.

### Winter Varieties

**JONATHAN**—Fruit large, red, best quality; tree thrifty and long lived.  
**DELICIOUS**—Fruit large and of oblong shape, red with yellow at blossom end; quality excellent, mild, pleasant flavor; strong grower.  
**NORTHWESTERN GREENING**—Large, smooth, fine quality; good keeper.  
**MAMMOTH BLACK TWIG**—A very large red apple of the Winesap type; late keeper.  
**WINESAP**—A well known popular winter variety; medium size, good.  
**STAYMAN WINESAP**—Fruit like Winesap but larger; tree a more vigorous grower.  
**BEN DAVIS**—The best known and at one time the most largely planted apple in Kansas.  
**BLACK BEN**—Of the Ben Davis type but a much darker red color.  
**INGRAM**—Fruit like the Jenet but larger and does not crack on the tree as does sometimes the Jenet. Productive and late keeper. A valuable winter apple for home use.

### One-Year Apple Trees

Here is an opportunity to plant an orchard at a very low price. We have a block of about 25,000 one-year apple trees. Good, thrifty whips ranging from 30 inches high for the slower growing varieties up to 4 feet for the very rapid growing sorts. At this price we will not book orders calling for less than 25 one-year trees.  
1-year apple trees, 25 to 50 trees.....35c each  
50 to 100 trees.....30c each

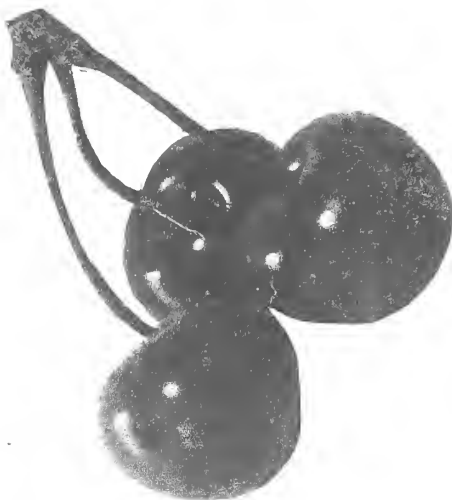
## Peaches

1-year from bud, 4 to 5 feet, each.....40c

### Varieties

**CHAMPION**—Large, white flesh, red cheek, free-stone; very fine quality.  
**ELBERTA**—Large, yellow, firm; the standard market variety.  
**ALEXANDER**—Very early, red cheek cling.  
**LEMON CLING**—Very large, juicy, fine flavor.

## Cherries



Grown on Imported Mahaleb roots. These roots have the distinctive advantage that they will not throw out sprouts or suckers. We would not consider planting an orchard grown on any other kind of stocks.

First class, 5 to 6 feet, each.....\$1.00

### Varieties

**EARLY RICHMOND**—Ripens June 10th.  
**MONTMORENCY**—Large; ripens June 20th.  
**ENGLISH MORELLO**—Dark red, almost black; ripens July 20th.

Cherries are a specialty with us. Every home should have at least a few cherry trees. In case you have none of bearing age, remember that we own a large commercial cherry orchard and can supply your needs for ripe cherries of the finest quality. We sell the fruit on the trees, customers to do their own picking. Our orchard is kept clean, free from weeds and thoroughly sprayed. Many people make cherry picking a picnic party, coming with their friends and neighbors; spending a few hours among the cherries.

## Plums

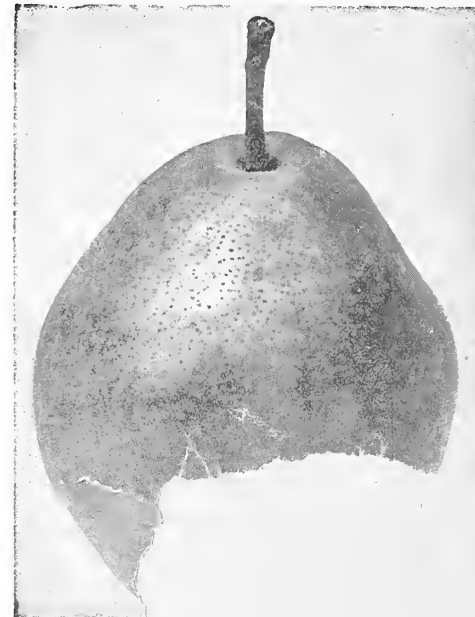


2 years, 5 to 6 feet, each.....95c

### Varieties

**BURBANK**—Very large, fine quality, red.  
**OPATA**—Green flesh, pit small, pleasant flavor, heavy bearer.  
**BLUE DAMSON**—Medium size, hardy and productive.  
**HANSKA**—Fruit beautiful red, fragrant, Apricot flavor, small pit.  
**WANETA**—Fruit large, red, good quality, very productive.  
**WILD GOOSE**—Medium size fruit, red, sweet and juicy.  
**COMPASS CHERRY PLUM**—A cross between the sand cherry and Japan plum, fruit small, very heavy bearer; excellent for preserves.

## Pears



5 to 7 feet, each.....  
4 to 5 feet, each.....

### Varieties

**KIEFFER**—Very hardy and productive; a profitable market variety. Good keeper.  
**GARBER**—Large, juicy, productive; ripens in September.  
**DUCHESS**—Fruit very large, fine quality, productive; ripens in October.  
**SECKEL**—Fruit small, fine quality, sweet as sugar.

## Apricots

3 to 4 feet, first class, each.....75c  
**SUPERB**—Fruit is large, firm and fine quality; tree hardy.

## Grapes

**CONCORD**—Well known black, hardy and productive. 1-year plants, each 15c; 2-year plants each, 25c.



**MOORES EARLY**—Hardy and productive, large bunches of large berries, two weeks ahead of Concord. 1-year plants, each 25c.  
**NIAGARA**—One of the best white grapes, large bunch, fine quality. 1-year vines, each 25c.  
**BRIGHTON**—A large, fine flavored red grape juicy and sweet, almost seedless; hardy. 1-year vines, each 35c.

## Ornamental Shrubs

All large field-grown, suitable for Lawns, Screens and Borders.

**SPIREA VAN HOUTTI**—White; flowers in May. 3 feet, each 35c.

**SPIREA ANTHONY WATERER**—Red; flowers in July. 2 feet, each 50c.

**SPIREA COLOSA ALBA**—Dwarf, white; July. 12 to 15 inches, each 35c.

**SPIREA THUNBERGHII**—A Japanese variety. White; flowers in June. 2 feet, each 50c.

**JAPAN QUINCE**—Red; flowers in April; very showy. 2 feet, each 50c.

**SNOWBALL**—2 feet, each 50c.

**HOLLY LEAVED MAHONIA**—A handsome dwarf evergreen shrub. 2 feet, each 50c.

**FRENCH GREGY**—A handsome dwarf evergreen shrub. 2 feet, each 50c.

**ROSE**—A handsome dwarf evergreen shrub. 2 feet, each 50c.

**PEONIES**—A handsome dwarf evergreen shrub. 2 feet, each 50c.

**STRAWBERRIES**—A handsome dwarf evergreen shrub. 2 feet, each 50c.

## Strawberries

Plant Strawberries! They are one of the first fruits of the season to ripen and should be on every table. They are of the easiest culture and no home garden is complete without them. Strawberries are also one of the most profitable fruits for market purposes, bringing very quick returns. We have a good sized acreage and expect to have berries to offer the coming season. Our plants have made excellent growth the past year and are strong and thrifty. You cannot buy better plants anywhere. The varieties we offer below are especially adapted to this climate and will be dug and packed on day of shipment.



Long growing, healthy, hardy plants produce immense crops of large, fine berries on all soils and holds its size throughout the season. It is a perfect blooming sort and does not require any other variety planted with it. Price, postpaid, 50 plants 75c; 100 plants, \$1.25; 200 plants, \$2.25; 300 plants, \$3.00; \$1.00 per hundred for each additional hundred.

## Everbearing Strawberries

These varieties produce a good crop of berries in the spring the same as the other varieties, then after resting for about six weeks bloom again and bear continuously until freezing weather. We have picked fine berries as late as November 10th.

**PROGRESSIVE**—Fruit good color, medium size, firm; very sweet and fine flavor. Price, postpaid, \$2.50 per 100.

## Rhubarb

### Nevins Strain

The Rhubarb we offer to our trade is a very fine strain that has been propagated from root division only, for more than 20 years. Produces very tender stalks of immense size all through the season, and seldom shows a seed stalk which increases its value very much. Do not compare this Rhubarb with the Rhubarb stock offered by most nurserymen, as 1 and 2-year plants which are grown from seed. Such Rhubarb runs very irregular, producing small stalks, and after the first picking largely runs to seed; and is of very little value. Nevins strain Rhubarb plants, strong divided roots, each 25c, \$2.50 per dozen.

## Quince

The larger varieties of Quince grown in the East are a total failure in this climate but the Japan Quince is hardy and fruitful. We have had 2-foot bushes in the nursery row produce 20 to 30 quinces, fruit is small but excellent for flavoring purposes when cooked with other fruit. The bush is also very ornamental. 2 to 3 ft. bushes, each, 50c.

## Peonies

The flower without a genuine rival, a giant in hardiness and of the easiest culture. Here are many superb varieties with flowers beautifully moulded and expressing the most delicate tints, as well as the most intense colors. Their cut blooms are very lasting and in many cases are exquisitely scented. Plant in deep, rich, well prepared soil, covering the buds but an inch or two.

### Series I; each, 50c

**OFFICINALLIS RUBRA**—Rich crimson.  
**MONS BELLART**—Purplish crimson.  
**BARON J. De ROTHCHILD**—Salmon pink.  
**HUMEI**—Cherry pink.  
**ROSE FRAGRANS**—Deep pink.  
**QUEEN VICTORIA**—Pure white.  
**MISSIONER**—Deep velvety cardinal.



### Series II; each, 75c

**PROLIFERIA TRICOLOR**—Pink, white, yellow.  
**CHARLEMAGNE**—Lilac pink.  
**DUCHESS DE NEMOURS**—Sulphur white.  
**FRANCOISE ORTEGAT**—Purplish crimson.  
**FESTIVA MAXIMA**—Large fine white.  
**EDULIS SUPERBA**—Large pink, extra.

### Series III; each, \$1.00

**RUBRA SUPERBA**—Velvety crimson.  
**FELIX CROUSSE**—Ruby red. Extra fine.  
**MADAM FOREL**—Bright pink rose type.  
**COURONNE D. ORR**—White, yellow reflex.

## Asparagus

If you have not a good Asparagus bed in your garden, you are missing one of the luxuries of life. 25 plants, 75c; 100 plants, \$2.00, postpaid.

## Blackberries



**MERSEREAU**—Strong upright hardy cane, yields large crops of large sweet juicy berries. 25 plants, \$2.00; 100 plants, \$6.00, postpaid.

## Gooseberries

**HOUGHTON**—2 years. Fruit medium size, very productive. Easy to pick, being quite free from thorns. Each, 35c, postpaid.

**DOWNING**—2 years. Bush upright grower. Berries large size and lots of them. One of the most popular varieties. Each, 35c, postpaid.

## Raspberries

**ST. REGIS**—Everbearing Red. We have grown this berry for several years. It is perfectly hardy and produces a heavy crop of fruit every spring, followed by scattering clusters throughout the summer, gradually increasing to some very heavy picking in the fall. By all means plant St. Regis. Price, 25 plants, \$2.00; 100 plants, \$6.00, postpaid.

**CUMBERLAND**—Black Cap. Very hardy, healthy and productive; berries large size and good quality. Price, 25 plants, \$2.00; 100 plants, \$6.00, postpaid.

## Climbing Roses and Vines

All strong 2-year field-grown plants.

**HONEY SUCKLE**—Japan sweet, each, 50c.  
**CLEMATIS PANICULATA**—White, each 75c.  
**CLEMATIS JACKMANII**—Purple, each \$1.00.  
**AMPELOPSIS ENGELMANII**—The most beautiful of all the Ivys. Each 50c.  
**CRIMSON RAMBLER ROSE**—Each 50c.  
**DOROTHY PERKINS**—Pink climber, each 50c.  
**CLIMBING AMERICAN BEAUTY**—Red, each, 75c.  
**EXCELSA**—A fine climbing red rose, each 75c.

## Tree Protectors

These should be used on all trees when planted. They are made of wood veneer, 10 inches wide by 20 inches long and form a hollow tube 3 inches in diameter around the body of the tree. Fastened on with fine wire they will last until the tree fills the tube and are the best insurance against rabbits, sunscald or borers. Each, 3c.

# Evergreens, Trees and Shrubs

plant evergreen windbreaks. Don't waste time on cottonwood, mulberry and other short lived timber. Remember, the life of the red cedar is a thousand years.

**RED CEDAR**—Our red cedars are the Platte River type. Of dense pyramidal form, dark green color and are far superior to the Southern type of cedar, which is a scraggly open grower of brown color.

**ARBOR VITAE, Chinese**—Rapid growing and of pyramidal form, stands any amount of shearing and is very desirable for ornamental hedges or specimens on the lawn.

**IRISH JUNIPER**—Finely cut, bluish green foliage of dense pyramidal slender growth, formal and very striking. One of our most hardy evergreens.

**SCOTCH PINE**—Strong, hardy, rapid grower, valuable for windbreaks.

**WHITE SPRUCE**—Of slow growth, very symmetrical compact form, a fine tree for the lawn.

**COLORADO BLUE SPRUCE**—The most beautiful of all the spruces, of dense symmetrical form; foliage a rich silvery blue that glistens and sparkles in the sunlight.

## Price of Evergreens

	1 to 25 Trees	25 to 100 Trees
Red Cedar, 24 to 30 inches.....	\$0.40	\$0.35
Red Cedar, 30 to 36 inches.....	.50	.40
Red Cedar, 3 feet, heavy.....	.75	
Chinese Arbor Vitae, 2 to 3 ft...	1.00	
Scotch Pine, 2 feet.....	.50	
Austrian Pine, 18 to 24 inches..	.75	
White Spruce, 15 to 18 inches..	.50	
Irish Juniper, 24 to 30 inches...	1.00	
Colorado Blue Spruce, selected Blue, 15 to 18 inches.....	2.00	
Colorado Spruce, Green color, 15 to 18 inches .....	1.00	

## Are You a \$10.00 Grain Farmer

Grain will produce \$10.00 to \$20.00 per acre. Fruit Growers are getting \$200.00 to \$400.00 per acre.

Are you a \$20.00 grain farmer. If you are, quit it. Get into the hundred dollar class. Add Fruit to your farm crops. 5 or 10 acres of fruit will be the biggest money maker on the place.

Let us help you select the right varieties. Tell you about planting, spraying, cultivation, etc.



... success growing  
... been growing them  
... 30 years. Our present  
... consists of about 10,000 trees  
... hanging from 1 to 4 feet in height, all  
... two or more times transplanted, there-  
... by forming a strong root system, which  
... with our careful handling and packing  
... makes them easy to grow. By all means